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The Honorable Loyd Wright  
 Chairman  
 Commission on Government Security  
 441 G Street, N. W.  
 Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Wright:

This is in reply to your letter of 5 June 1956 in which you requested answers to a list of questions concerning the civilian employees' security program in this Agency.

In the attachment there are contained, to the best of our estimation, the answers to all of the questions asked except question number two. In view of the provisions of Section 7 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act, I am unable to furnish to your Commission the answer to question two.

This letter has been classified Secret because of the classification of the statistics contained in our report. All of our statistical reports to the Civil Service Commission on our operations under Executive Order 10450 are similarly classified.

Sincerely,

(#1. Answers to Questionnaire) **SIGNED**  
 (#2. cc of Regs under Allen W. Dulles  
 (EO 10450 re Reqs. for Director  
 (Employment in CIA - Sterile  
 2 Enclosures cc of R 20-730

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ANSWER TO  
QUESTION ON GOVERNMENT SECURITY  
PARTIAL INFORMATION INVENTORY IN CONNECTION  
WITH CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES' SECURITY PROGRAM

1. Central Intelligence Agency
2. See covering letter
- 3.a. All regular positions in this Agency have been designated as sensitive positions.
- 3.b. As of 1 April 1956 approximately 5.57% of our regular positions were vacant.
4. There are no non-sensitive positions in this Agency.
- 5.a. It is not possible to analyze the cost of the employee's security program of this Agency in accordance with what we believe to be the purpose of your interrogatory in view of the fact that many other security functions not specifically related to the employee's security program are performed by the employees of this Agency engaged in security functions. As a guide line, however, for the average cost incurred by this Agency in the investigation, appraisal and other security processing of an applicant case for employment purposes, it has been estimated as follows:

Fiscal Year 1954 - \$40.69  
Fiscal Year 1955 - \$32.96

Of these estimates, approximately 80% of the cost is chargeable to salaries and the remainder to travel, supplies, communications and contractual services.
- 5.b. On the basis of the factors cited above in (5.a.), the estimated cost for the Fiscal Year 1956 for each applicant type investigation and clearance procedure therefor is estimated to be \$35.45.
6. In accordance with the third provision to Section 104(d)(3) of the National Security Act of 1947 the security program of this Agency requires a full field investigation of all employees prior to their entering on duty with the Agency. In addition to such full field investigation, this Agency has submitted requests to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for further full field investigations under the provisions of Executive Order 10450 in 39 cases. For the purpose of the statistics that are subject to detailed analysis in the remainder of your interrogatory, particularly as regards separations, security information within the purview of Executive Order 10450 was developed in 131 other cases through the facilities of this Agency.

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7.a. Thirty-two

7.b. One

7.c. Three

8.a. Three. The policy of the Central Intelligence Agency on suspensions is contained in Section 5, Subsection a, b, c and d of the attached regulations.

8.b. One

8.c. One

8.d. None

9, 10 all. In reporting the necessary statistical information on the number of separations, the agency statistics are based on a total of 131 cases of which three were terminated under the Director's authority of Section 102a of the National Security Act of 1947 and 128 cases wherein the employees were not suspended, but resigned prior to final determinations of their cases. The category or type of derogatory information involved in the 131 cases is categorized as follows:

- a. 126 employees separated because of derogatory information of the type listed in Section 6(a)(1).
- b. Five employees separated because of derogatory information of the type listed in Section 6(a)(2) through (8).

In every instance, the separations referred to above were reported to the Civil Service Commission on Standard Form 77.

11. All separations referred to above were reported to the Civil Service Commission on Standard Form 77.

12.(a)(1) None

12.(a)(2) None

12.(a)(3) One

12.(a)(4) None

12.(b)(1) None

12.(b)(2) None

12.(b)(3) None

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## 13. (b)(6) None

14. No

15. In every case, the findings or recommendations of Security Boards established by the Agency to process cases under the provisions of Executive Order 10450 have been transmitted to the Director of Central Intelligence for his final determination. In no instance have the findings or recommendations of the Security Board been rejected by the Director of Central Intelligence.

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